

## Update on VDI Pilot and VDI 3 release

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In late November 2008, we started a pilot of VMWare's product called VDI, or Virtual Desktop Infrastructure. When the initial install was completed and operational, VMWare released it's new version, version 3, or as it is now called, VMWare View. There were many reasons why this upgrade was necessary for the pilot. We are now currently at the end of the installation, and are almost ready to start testing the new version. We are hoping to be able to demonstrate that a product like this will be able to lower costs by centrally managing the desktops and reducing storage and environmental needs, increase security by moving information off the remote desktop to the datacenter where it is secure, and flexibility by faster provisioning, deployment, and upgrades. Along with those features comes a new feature, called "Offline Desktop", which allows the computer to be able to function with the centralized operating system while not connected to the network.

We will continue to post updates on the Pilot as it progresses.